



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

Applicants: Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS,  
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Group Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: P. Dubois

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above- identified Applicants be granted an extension of time for the period of one (1) month from October 14, 2000 to November 14, 2000, in the above-identified application to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated July 14, 2000.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 08-1650.

If the Examiner has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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